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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicant's representatives would like to thank Examiner Philogene for extending them the courtesy of a personal interview on February 16, 2006, to discuss this case. The following recordation of the substance of the interview is believed to be complete and proper, in accordance with MPEP 713.04. It is requested that the Examiner notify the undersigned if he believes this Statement contains any inaccuracies or if the Examiner believes the Statement is otherwise not complete and proper.

Interview participants: (1) Examiner Pedro Philogene; (2) Applicant's attorney, Matthew Graham; and (3) Applicant's attorney, John Dolan.

Agreement was reached during the interview. Specially, Applicant's attorneys and the Examiner agreed that the amendment described below would overcome the rejection.

An exhibit of an embodiment of an implant in a model knee was shown during the interview.

Claims 31-56 were discussed during the interview.

The following reference was discussed: United States Patent No. 5,944,759 (Link).

An amendments to incorporate claim 33 into claim 31 was discussed during the interview.

The general discussion offered during the interview involved the Applicant's assertion that, among other deficiencies, the Link patent fails to disclose a tibial projection as claimed by applicant.

No other pertinent matters were discussed during the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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